Restructuring of ICDS

2317. SHRI A. VIJAYARAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to restructure the Integrated Child Development Services Scheme (ICDS);

(b) if so, the details thereof, including the reasons therefor;

(c) whether there is any proposal to go for public private partnership in ICDS;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(e) whether restructuring of ICDS had been discussed with the stakeholders of ICDS;

(f) if so, the details thereof;

(g) if not, whether competent authority would discuss the restructuring with the stakeholders; and

(h) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) and (b) In order to achieve the intended objectives including reduction in levels of malnutrition amongst women and children, the proposal for revamping the Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme has since been approved by the Government. This includes, Universalisation of the Scheme with introduction of Anganwadi on demand; revision in financial norms of supplement nutrition, reward mechanism for ICDS functionaries, uniform for Anganwadi Workers and Helpers, introduction of cost sharing between Centre and State; provision of flexi funds at Anganwadi level, strengthening of Management Information System (MIS) and Training component of ICDS Scheme.

(c) and (d) Presently, there is no such proposal.

(e) to (h) The revamping of ICDS Scheme has been approved by Government after consulting all concerned Ministries of Government of India and State Governments.

State of observation homes

2318. SHRI MOINUL HASSAN: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the fact that the poor sanitation, over-crowded rooms and lack of productive work have made observation homes a nesting ground for more crime and juvenile delinquency; and

(b) if so, the steps Government proposes to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) Ministry of Women and Child Development has no such report in this regard. Chapter VI of the Model Rules, 2007 framed under the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2000 and its Amendment Act, 2006 prescribe the physical infrastructure of